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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE : TEST STRIP FOR USE IN AN APPARATUS FOR  
SAMPLING AND TESTING A SPECIMEN  
APPLICATION NO. : 10/001,626  
FILING DATE : October 24, 2001  
EXAMINER : SIEFKE, Samuel P.  
ART UNIT : 1743  
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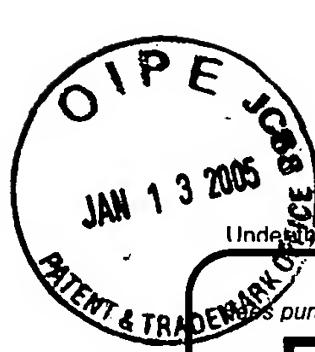
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**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Reply is responsive to an Office Action dated August 10, 2004, for the above-captioned application. The Office Action was made final and set a shortened statutory period for response that expired on November 10, 2004. Accordingly, enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR §1.136 and the appropriate fee to extend the period for response to today's date.

Please amend the application as follows.



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Effective on 12/08/2004.

Pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

# FEE TRANSMITTAL

## For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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225.00

### Complete if Known

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First Named Inventor	Kenneth A. Alley
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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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Indep. Claims      Extra Claims      Fee (\$)      Fee Paid (\$)

2 - 3 or HP = 0 x 0 = 0

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#### 4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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Fee Paid (\$)

225.00

### SUBMITTED BY

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